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# Artist of the Issue

The Cure was formed in West Sussex, England in 1973. Originally a trio, the only constant members throughout their career are frontman Robert Smith and bassist Simon Gallup. While they definitely did not invent goth, they were one of the important bands helping influence and shape the genre's sound and visual aesthetic.

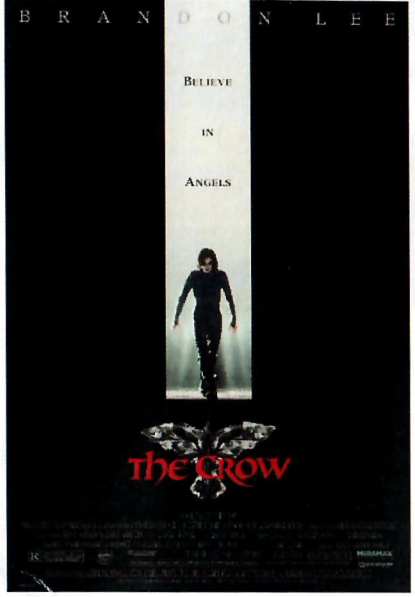
Simon and Robert
(left to right)

<u>Where to Start</u>
Wish (1992)

# Queen of Grunge

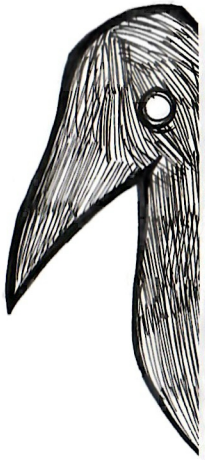
When the history of grunge is discussed, a lot of bands are brought up. Nirvana, Pearl Jam, Alice in Chains, Soundgarden. As well as influences pre-dating the genre like The Pixies and Melvins.
But there's one band that is criminally underlooked, a band that practically *invented* grunge, that band is Bam Bam.
The band was formed in 1983 by frontwoman Tina Bell and guitarist Tommy Martin. They helped to pioneer the genre's sound as well as start the career of many famous grunge artists. Kurt Cobain was a roadie for the band before Nirvana and Matt Cameron (of Soundgarden and Pearl Jam) joined the band early in his music career. Bell quit music in 1990, and Bam Bam slowly dissolved afterwards.

There are many reasons why Bam Bam is overlooked, mainly racism and misogyny. As well as the reunion and documentary on Tina and the band that didn't come to fruition due to Tina's death in 2012. In recent years, the band has been getting more recognition and Tina Bell is starting to finally get the flowers she deserves.
You can listen to the 2019 LP release of their 1984 recordings Free Fall From Space on spotify and other streaming services.




The Crow
Director: Alex Proyas
Release Date: May 13, 1994
Starring: Brandon Lee

My Thoughts

The Crow is a *really good* movie. It's so good in fact, that after I stayed up watching it earlier this March, I watched it again the following night.
The film follows Eric Draven, who is brought back to life one year after he and his fiancé are murdered in order to enact revenge.
The movie's plot is quite simple, but it's elevated to a masterpiece through its aesthetic and soundtrack. The setting of the movie has a strong goth rock influence and the soundtrack is stacked full of amazing alt-rock bands like Nine Inch Nails, Rage Against the Machine, The Cure, and more.
These music and aesthetic choices are very purposeful. They help elevate the movie's tone, grounding and investing you in the story.
If you haven't watched it yet, you really should.

# Movie of the Issue